

Dr. Henry Genet Taylor House and Office
305 Cooper Street
Camden
Camden County
New Jersey

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE New Jersey	COUNTY Camden	TOWN OR VICINITY Camden
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Dr. Henry Genet Taylor House and Office		HABS NO. NJ-844
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 305 Cooper Street		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1884 Design 1885-86 (HABS, New Jersey Catalog)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Wilson Eyre, Jr.	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) One of the most distinguished of Wilson Eyre, Jr.'s Arts and Crafts style townhouses. Eyre became an influential exponent of the style as co-founder and editor of <u>House and Garden Magazine</u> (1901-05); co-founder of Philadelphia's T-Square Club (1883) & Pres. Phil. Chapter AIA.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Arts and Crafts		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick and limestone		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) 3½ stories plus basement; 39' by 60' deep; plan is an asymmetrical "T" with larger rooms to the east.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Rock-faced ashlar ground floor; Roman brick upper floors, Flemish inspired gable with thin brick pilasters; 1 front chimney with corbeled brick cap and brick tumbling; off center round entrance arch; oriel window.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Complex oak stairway; brass and silver lighting fixtures; alcove with tiled bench in entrance hall, mosaic floor in entrance hall.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES 1888 eastern second floor windows lowered 18"; 1891 sunporch added behind dining room; 1938 converted to apartments and several fireplaces removed, open conservatory on second floor closed in.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE As of 1971 apartments.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) See Architectural Sheet (2)		
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